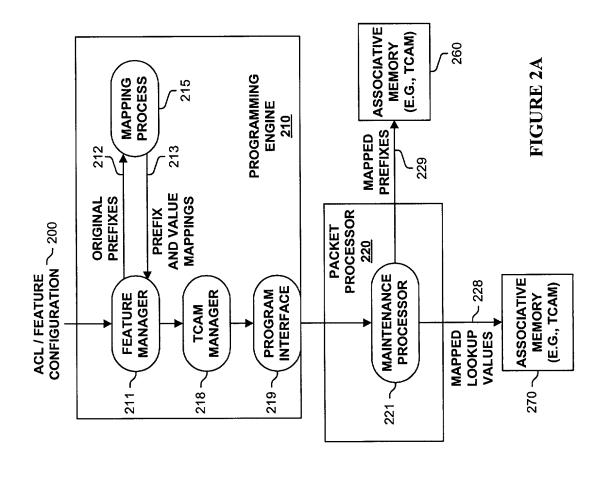


FIGURE 1



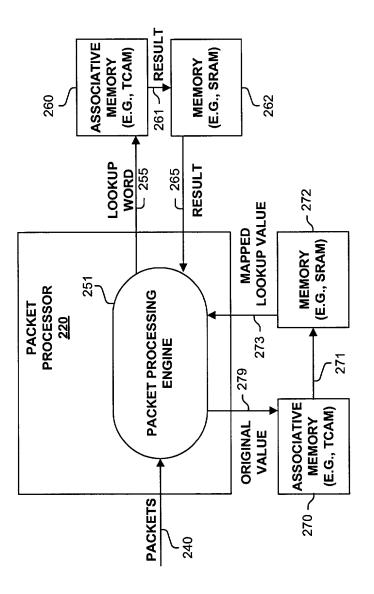


FIGURE 2B

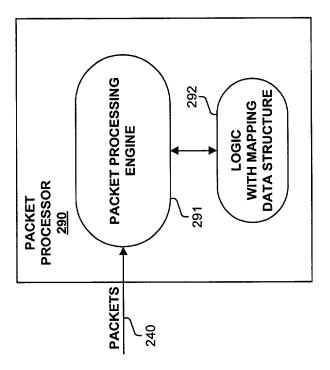


FIGURE 2C

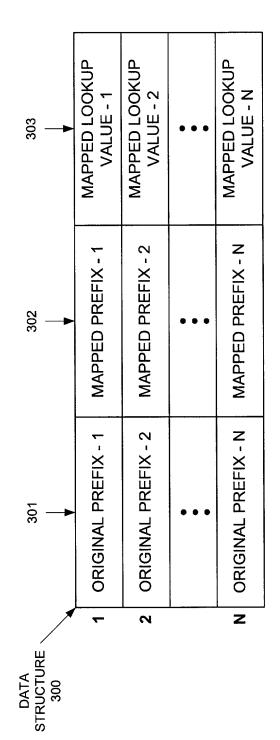


FIGURE 3

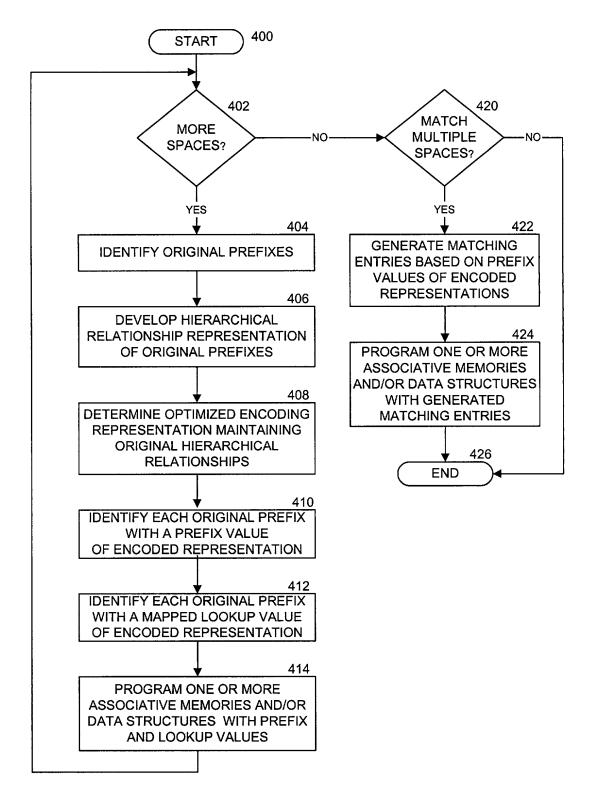


FIGURE 4A

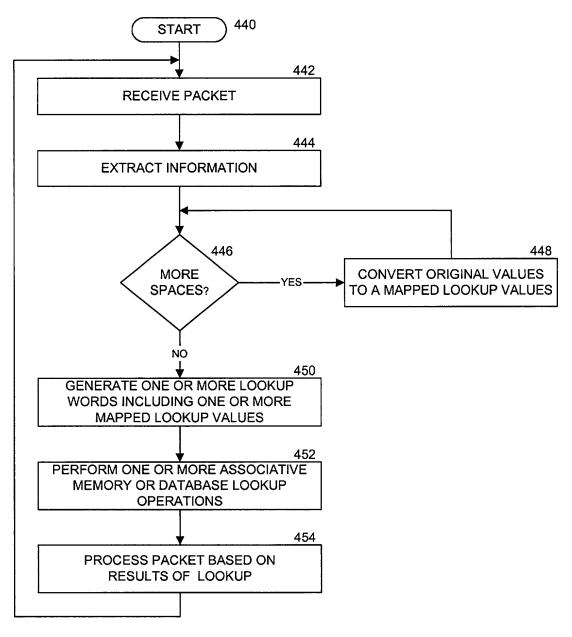


FIGURE 4B

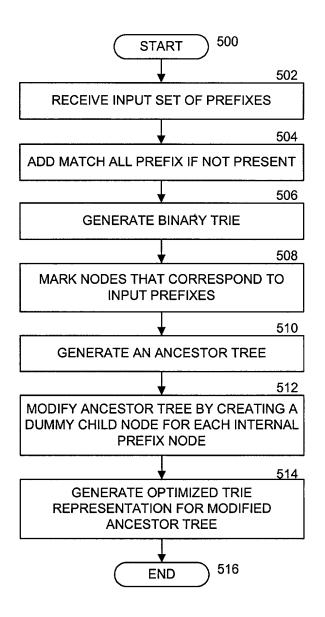


FIGURE 5A

FIGURE 5B

```
find_cost(v) {
    list_of_subtrees = { u | u \in children(v) }
    while (SIZE_OF(list_of_leaves) > 1) {
        u = delete_min_cost_element ( list_of_subtrees);
        v = delete_min_cost_element ( list_of_subtrees);
        node = new_node();
        node->left = u; node->right = v;
        node->cost = v->cost + 1;
        insert_element ( list_of_subtrees, node);
    }
    return list_of_elements[0]->cost;
}
```

FIGURE 5C

EXEMPLARY TRIE REPRESENTATION OF ORIGINAL PREFIXES

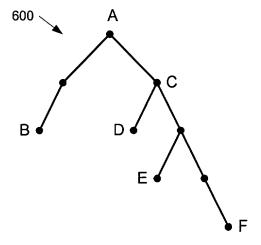


FIGURE 6A

EXEMPLARY ANCESTOR TREE

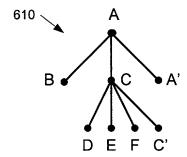


FIGURE 6B

EXEMPLARY ANCESTOR TREE COST

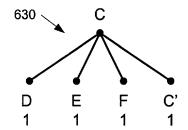


FIGURE 6C

EXEMPLARY OPTIMIZED ENCODING OF ANCESTOR TREE

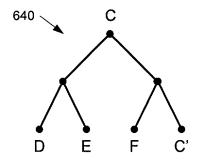


FIGURE 6D

EXEMPLARY TRIE REPRESENTATION OF MAPPED PREFIXES

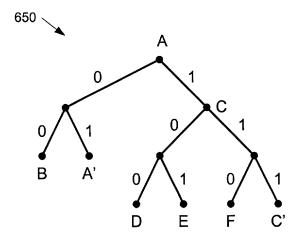


FIGURE 6E

EXEMPLARY NODE IDENTIFIER 661	EXEMPLARY ORIGINAL PREFIX <u>662</u>	EXEMPLARY MAPPED PREFIX <u>663</u>	EXEMPLARY LOOKUP VALUE <u>664</u>
Α	*	*	010
В	00	00	000
С	1*	1*	111
D	10	100	100
Ε	110	101	101
F	1111	110	110

FIGURE 6F